(c) whether law courts have granted orders of injunction and stay in such matters for various irregularities against the Union of India and others; and

(d) if so, the facts and details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N. SOMU) : (a) The Directorate of Defence Estates, Central Command has not granted lease of Defence land in the past three years. Ministry of Defence have, however, granted lease of Defence land in the Central Command in three cases, namely,

(1) land measuring 10450 Sq.ft in Kanpur Cantt to the Indian National Defence Workers Federation (INDWF);

(2) land measuring 9548 Sq. ft. to Mankameshwar Mahadev Mandir, Yamuna Bank Road, Allahabad.

(3) land measuring 25252.406 Sq. mtrs to N.V Gadgil National Society, Meerut Cantt.

(b) No irregularity in respect of environmental aspect has been committed while granting lease in these cases.

(c) and (d). In the case of lease of land to INDWF, there has been a Court Order to maintain Status-quo.

Malaria Eradication Programme

1299. SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to adopt new strategy to eradicate Malaria;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the name of the States where the new strategy is proposed to be adopted to eradicate Malaria?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) to (c). The National Malaria Eradication Programme (NMEP) is implemented throughout the country on 50:50 cost sharing basis except in the North East and the U.Ts without legislature where it is 100% centrally assisted. The Central Assistance is essentially in kind. The steps taken to control Malaria under the NMEP in the country include :-

- early detection and prompt treatment of Malaria Cases;
- vector control through effective use of insecticide to interruot transmission;
- anti-larval measures to eliminate most to breeding source;
- intensification of Health Education activities to create Public awareness and participation in anti-Malaria Programme.
- community involvement in Malaria Control activities.

Besides, for the purpose of intensification of Malaria Control activities in some tribal/backward areas with high malaria endemicity a Malaria Control Project for obtaining external assistance is currently under formulation.

[Translation]

Damage of N.H. No. 11

1300. SHRI BHAGWAN SHANKAR RAWAT : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Agra-Jaipur National Highway No. 11 between Agra-Fatehpur Sikri was damaged by the floods during raily reason;

(b) if so, the extent of damage caused and the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon;

(c) whether the said road was breached near village Mahua for draining out the flood waters;

(d) if so, the details of loss incurred in this regard;

(e) whether even before the floods there was a proposal for the construction of culvert at the site where road had breached;

(f) if so, the details of the construction plan;

(g) if not, whether the said proposal was sent by the State Government for clearance;

(h) if so, the time by which the decision is likely to be taken in this regard;

(i) whether any proposal for the repair of road between Agra and Fatehpur Sikri is under consideration; and

(j) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) to (j). The National Highway No. 11 between Agra and Fatehpur Sikri was damaged by the floods during the rainy season and the road was out near village Mahua at Km. 18 to drain flood waters. The road has been restored for thorough traffic. There is a proposal to construct a high level bridge at the location and is under investigation. Detailed proposals for restoration are awaited.

[English]

Deaths of Children in Tribal Areas

1301. SHRI JANG BAHADUR SINGH PATEL : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of children in the tribal areas died because of malnutrition and lack of safe drinking water during the last three years; and

(b) the steps taken to check such deaths?